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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

CHAD M. CARLSEN, and SHASTA CARLSEN, husband and wife, individually and on behalf of a Class of similarly situated Washington families; and CARL POPHAM and MARY POPHAM, husband and wife, individually and on behalf of a Class of similarly situated Washington families,

Plaintiffs.

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GLOBAL CLIENT SOLUTIONS, LLC, an Oklahoma limited liability company; ROCKY MOUNTAIN BANK & TRUST, a Colorado financial institution; JOHN AND JANE DOES A-K,

Defendants.

No. 84855-6

AMICUS CURIAE NOTEWORLD LLC'S SECOND STATEMENT OF ADDITIONAL AUTHORITY

Pursuant to Washington Rule of Appellate Procedure 10.8, *amicus curiae* NoteWorld LLC ("NoteWorld") offers the following additional authority: Department of Financial Institutions Division of Consumer Services, Document MSIII, The Department's Resolution and Closure of Complaint. This document is attached hereto. On April 14, 2011, the

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K&L GATES LLP 925 FOURTH AVENUE SUITE 2900 SEATTLE, WASHINGTON 98104-1158 TELEPHONE: (206) 623-7580 FACSIMILE: (206) 623-7022 Department of Financial Institutions ("DFI") Division of Consumer Services, under the authority of RCW 19.230.130, conducted an investigation into a claim that NoteWorld "failed to provide debt settlement services." The Department made the following relevant determination: "The Department reviewed Respondent's written response and records and acknowledges that Respondent acted as a money transmitter in this matter and not as a debt settlement company, as evidenced by the signed 'Sign-Up Agreement' that was reviewed."

This additional authority is relevant to the issues discussed in NoteWorld's Amicus Brief Argument section A, page 4-16 (account administrators such as Global Client Solutions and NoteWorld are not debt adjusters), and Argument section B, page 16-20 (account administrators like Global Client Solutions and NoteWorld fall under the exclusion in RCW 18.28.010(2)(b) for regulated money services businesses, and, specifically, a money transmitter like NoteWorld is regulated by the DFI under RCW 19.230).

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 11th day of May, 2011.

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NoteWorld LLC

STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

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2 DIVISION OF CONSUMER SERVICES 3 IN THE MATTER OF INVESTIGATING A Complaint No. 37180 COMPLAINT FILED UNDER THE UNIFORM MONEY SERVICES ACT DOCUMENT MSIII THE DEPARTMENT'S RESOLUTION 5 BY: Edward Mahoney. AND CLOSURE OF COMPLAINT Complainant, 6 AGAINST: NoteWorld LLC. 7 Respondent. 8 As you were previously informed, a complaint has been filed against Respondent under chapter 19.230 RCW, the Uniform Money Services Act (the Act). Complainant alleged that Respondent failed to provide debt settlement services to Complainant's Mother. Complainant stated that Respondent collected money that was intended for this service and that the debt settlement service was not rendered, that funds collected should be refunded, and that Respondent took 10 advantage of an 81 year old pious woman's financial situation, while making the financial 11 situation worse. 12 The Department of Financial Institutions Division of Consumer Services, under the authority of RCW 19.230.130, conducted a limited scope investigation into this matter. Based upon its investigation and the documents and statements provided by the parties, the Department makes 13 the following determination: 14 No further action required. The Department reviewed Respondent's written response and records and acknowledges that Respondent acted as the money transmitter in this matter and not 15 as a debt settlement service company, as evidenced by the signed "Sign-Up Agreement" that was 16 reviewed. The Department further acknowledges Respondent's efforts to return the unused funds that were held in trust by Respondent, totaling \$1,629.05, check number 621603, made payable to Lois Mahoney, and dated December 18, 2009. The cancelled check records provided 1.7 to the Department show that this check was cashed on December 21, 2009. These funds were stated to have been refunded as a result of the Complainant's request for termination of the Sign-18 Up Agreement with Lois Mahoney. 19 Respondent is reminded of the reporting responsibilities outlined in RCW 19.230.180. The 20

Complainant has made allegations of a serious nature regarding the apparent inactions of the debt settlement service provider, Freedom Debt Center; with regards to the debt settlement provider's handling of the funds that Respondent transmitted.

Respondent is expected to implement a system of controls designed to prevent future violations of the Act. The Department will review Respondent's efforts during Respondent's next examination to ensure compliance with the Act.

Accordingly, this Resolution and Closure of Complaint serves as notice that this complaint filed against Respondent is closed. However, the Department of Financial Institutions Division of Consumer Services retains the authority to reopen this complaint in the event that subsequent information comes to our attention relevant to this matter.

cc: Edward Mahoney



Dated: Thursday, April 14, 2011

Michéal Freer, CAMS Financial Examiner

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